

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 15.2-3201 of the Code of Virginia, relating to annexation; extension of*
3 *current moratorium.*

[S 1185]

Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 15.2-3201 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**8 **§ 15.2-3201. Temporary restrictions on granting of city charters, filing annexation notices,**
9 **institutions of annexation proceedings, and county immunity proceedings.**

10 Beginning January 1, 1987, and terminating on the first to occur of (i) July 1, 2024 2032, or (ii) the
11 July 1 next following the expiration of any biennium, other than the 1998-2000, 2000-2002, 2002-2004,
12 2006-2008, 2008-2010, 2010-2012, 2012-2014, 2014-2016, 2016-2018, 2018-2020, 2020-2022, ~~and~~
13 2022-2024, 2024-2026, 2026-2028, 2028-2030, *and 2030-2032* bienniums, during which the General
14 Assembly appropriated for distribution to localities for aid in their law-enforcement expenditures
15 pursuant to Article 8 (§ 9.1-165 et seq.) of Chapter 1 of Title 9.1 an amount that is less than the total
16 amount required to be appropriated for such purpose pursuant to subsection A of § 9.1-169, no city shall
17 file against any county an annexation notice with the Commission on Local Government pursuant to
18 § 15.2-2907, and no city shall institute an annexation court action against any county under any
19 provision of this chapter except a city that filed an annexation notice before the Commission on Local
20 Government prior to January 1, 1987. During the same period, with the exception of a charter for a
21 proposed consolidated city, no city charter shall be granted or come into force and no suit or notice
22 shall be filed to secure a city charter. However, the foregoing shall not prohibit the institution of nor
23 require the stay of an annexation proceeding or the filing of an annexation notice for the purpose of
24 implementing an annexation agreement, the extent, terms and conditions of which have been agreed
25 upon by a county and city; nor shall the foregoing prohibit the institution of or require the stay of an
26 annexation proceeding by a city which, prior to January 1, 1987, commenced a proceeding before the
27 Commission on Local Government to review a proposed voluntary settlement pursuant to § 15.2-3400;
28 nor shall the foregoing prohibit the institution of or require the stay of any annexation proceeding
29 commenced pursuant to § 15.2-2907 or 15.2-3203, except that no such proceeding may be commenced
30 by a city against any county, nor shall any city be a petitioner in any annexation proceeding instituted
31 pursuant to § 15.2-3203.

32 Beginning January 1, 1988, and terminating on the first to occur of (i) July 1, 2024 2032, or (ii) the
33 July 1 next following the expiration of any biennium, other than the 1998-2000, 2000-2002, 2002-2004,
34 2006-2008, 2008-2010, 2010-2012, 2012-2014, 2014-2016, 2016-2018, 2018-2020, 2020-2022, ~~and~~
35 2022-2024, 2024-2026, 2026-2028, 2028-2030, *and 2030-2032* bienniums, during which the General
36 Assembly appropriated for distribution to localities for aid in their law-enforcement expenditures
37 pursuant to Article 8 (§ 9.1-165 et seq.) of Chapter 1 of Title 9.1 an amount that is less than the total
38 amount required to be appropriated for such purpose pursuant to subsection A of § 9.1-169, no county
39 shall file a notice or petition pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 29 (§ 15.2-2900 et seq.) or Chapter
40 33 (§ 15.2-3300 et seq.) requesting total or partial immunity from city-initiated annexation and from the
41 incorporation of new cities within its boundaries. However, the foregoing shall not prohibit the
42 institution of nor require the stay of an immunity proceeding or the filing of an immunity notice for the
43 purpose of implementing an immunity agreement, the extent, terms and conditions of which have been
44 agreed upon by a county and city.